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[redacted] Acting Chief
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Dear Roger,

In the first place I would like to thank you and my other FBIS friends who combined to make my stay in Washington so useful and so very agreeable. I find it hard to express adequately my appreciation of your wonderful hospitality. 25X1

My visit to Reseda is also proving most profitable and pleasant and I am very grateful to [redacted] for looking after me with such kindness.

You may recall our last-minute conversation on the size and breakdown of FBIS staff. It would be helpful if you could let me have an approximation on paper indicating the allocation for the Daily Report, Special Reports, Wire Room, etc. in Washington and a similar breakdown for the domestic and overseas bureaus.

It would also be helpful to our organization of statistics if you could supply me with your instructions on operational reports and records FB 110/D January 31, 1952. 25X1

I have recently been informed from Caversham that they are still receiving certain commercial agency transmissions from Latin America and [redacted] messages originating from Vietnam. Would you be good enough to remind your people that we are not allowed to use such material. With regard to the Latin American file, I feel on the other hand that we may be missing certain items because they have been reported by AP or the Press over here and it is therefore assumed that they are readily available in England. In fact, however, agency and Press coverage of Latin America over there is very scanty and I would be glad if you would ask your Wire Room to keep this in mind in making their selections. 25X1

Sincerely yours,

Christopher Saltmarshe

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Please remember me